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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: N. FUKUTOMI, et al.  
Serial No: 10/705,706  
Filed: November 10, 2003  
Title: FABRICATION PROCESS OF SEMICONDUCTOR PACKAGE  
AND SEMICONDUCTOR PACKAGE  
Group: 2813  
Examiner: Laura M. SCHILLINGER

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 22, 2004

Sir:


In response to the Office Action mailed November 23, 2004, Applicants respectfully elect the Group I claims, claims 14-17, for prosecution on the merits in the above-identified application. This election is made without traverse.

The contention by the Examiner that the Group II claims include patentably distinct species, set forth on pages 2 and 3 of the Office Action mailed November 23, 2004, is noted. Since Applicants are electing the Group I claims, without traverse, it is respectfully submitted that Applicants need not elect one of the species of Group II, as set forth on page 3 of the Office Action mailed November 23, 2004.

Consideration of the Group I claims as set forth in the Office Action mailed November 23, 2004, on the merits, in due course, is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 566.43481VC5) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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